

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Tuesday, September 12, 2006.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mrs. Haddad of Somerset in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Eternal God, today and every day, we look to You for guidance as we take up and carry out our legislative and personal responsibilities. Your assistance enables us to select the right, ethical and honorable options and choices which are available to us. We pray for the patience and the wisdom to comprehend and resolve the sensitive and complex issues which we face in today's society. Grant us, each day, the courage to remain faithful to our high ideals, traditional principles and human and spiritual values in our struggle to address the current and future needs of people and our communities.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of this House and their families. Amen.

At the request of the Chair (Mrs. Haddad), the members, guests and employees joined with her in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Rogers of Norwood, Coughlin of Dedham, Kafka of Stoughton, Galvin of Canton, Ross of Wrentham and Linsky of Natick) congratulating the South Norfolk County Association for Retarded Citizens;

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Harkins of Needham and Ross of Wrentham) congratulating Reis C. Costello of Medfield on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Cabral of New Bedford) on the occasion of the Portuguese Sports Club of New Bedford on its celebration of its fiftieth anniversary; and

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Pignatelli of Lenox) congratulating the Lee Volunteer Fire Department on its one hundred fiftieth anniversary;

Mrs. Harkins, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Petersen of Marblehead, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Petitions.

Mr. Kulik of Worthington presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5285) of Stephen Kulik and Stanley C. Rosenberg

(by vote of the town) that the Brick House Community Resource Center, Inc., in the town of Montague be exempt from paying certain real estate taxes; and the same was referred to the committee on Revenue. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Boston,
alcoholic
beverages.

Mr. Petrucci of Boston presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Anthony Petrucci (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the Licensing Board for the City of Boston be authorized to increase the number of licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages in said city; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

Northeast
solid waste
committee.

A Bill abolishing the Northeast Solid Waste Committee (Senate, No. 2589) (on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bills

Boxborough,
residency
requirements.

Further specifying residency requirements for regular fire and police officers in the town on Boxborough (Senate, No. 2705) (on a petition) [Local Approval Received];

Amherst,
conservation
land.

Relative to certain conservation land in the town of Amherst (Senate, No. 2711) (on a petition);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were read; and they were referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Report of a Committees.

Wenham,
firefighters.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill providing certain benefits for call firefighters in the town of Wenham (House, No. 5141) [Local Approval Received], which was read.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Wolf of Cambridge, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bill.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill relative to a special election in the town of East Brookfield (see Senate bill printed in Senate, No. 2718) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted (more than two-thirds of the members having agreed to pass the same); and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Senate bills

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey certain permanent easements to Brockton Hospital (Senate, No. 2537, changed); and

Establishing a special commission on long term care persons with adult onset disabilities (Senate, No. 2582) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bills

Authorizing the town of North Andover to hold a license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4693); and

Third
reading
bills.

Authorizing the appointment of Christina M. Orzyck as a police officer in the city of Worcester (House, No. 4865) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston,—

Ordered. That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At a quarter before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Ms. Rogeness of Longmeadow (Mrs. Haddad of Somerset being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.